SB 1: Criminal Law – Wearing, Carrying, or Transporting Firearms –

Restrictions (Gun Safety Act of 2023)

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SB1 affects me personally and essentially bans concealed carry in Maryland by citizens with MSP-issued Wear and Carry permits, arguably the most law-abiding group of citizens in the state.

Similar laws were enacted after the "Bruen" ruling by New York and New Jersey. Both of those concealed carry bans were quickly struck down by the federal district courts. If enacted, SB 1 would be dead on arrival in federal court as it is intended to ban the very carry in public that "Bruen" clearly stated that states must allow. There is no reason to pass SB 1 knowing it will be struck down.